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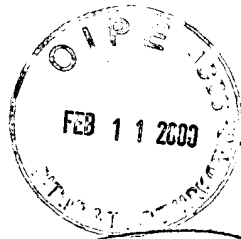
In re application of

Rhona H. BORTS et al.

Serial No. 09/155,452

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MEIOTIC RECOMBINATION IN VIVO OF
PARTIALLY HOMOLOGOUS DNA
SEQUENCES



Docket No. 00263/PP/acb/1165 US

Group Art Unit 1649

Examiner O. Zaghmout

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:


In response to the restriction requirement of January 21, 2000, Applicants hereby provisionally select Species b, claims 1-3 and 6-8 directed to animals. It is noted that this election is made by the Applicant while retaining their right to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter with the protection afforded by 35 USC 121.

Claims 4, 5, 9 and 10 directed to non-elected subject matter remain in the application. It is requested that they be permitted to remain in a dormant condition pending the filings of a divisional application.

The Examiner accordingly is requested to proceed with an examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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